GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3975
ANSWERED ON:23.03.2001
EXPORT IMPORT OF TELECOM EQUIPMENTS
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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government had collected the reliable data on prices on switching equipments for Public Switching Telecom Network (PSTN) products in various countries before allowing trade in telecom switching equipments by the multinational companies;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the details of import and export of telecom equipments during the last three years, item-wise, value-wise and year-wise; and

(d) the fresh steps taken/proposed by the Government to promote the export of telecom equipments from the country?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI OMAR ABDULLAH)

(a) & (b) : Import of electronic public switching including SPC type but excluding EPABX/EPAX/key telephone system as classified under Exim Code No.85173000.50 of ITC (HS) classification of Export and Import items has been free since prior to 1.4.1996Import of other type of electronic public switching systems was made free with effect from 1.4.1999.

(c) The requisite information is annexed.

(d) Exports of these products are entitled to duty neutralisation/ remission under various Export Promotion Schemes in the EXIM Policy.

Statement referred to in reply to part (c) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No.3975 to be answered on 23.3.2001.

IMPORT/EXPORT OF TELECOM EQUIPMENTS (Value Rs. Lakhs)

ITEMS	IMPORTS			EXPORTS		
	1998-99	1999-2000 (upto Oct.2000)	2000-2001	1998-99	99-2000 (upto Oct.2000)	2000-2001
Push Button Type	51.86	321.89	853.69	919.13	575.85	231.34
Rotary dial type	-	3.48	0.80	-	0.02	-
Cordless	1374.76	1469.58	438.79	32.11	12.39	17.86
Others	1195.87	1092.78	956.94	268.49	89.33	99.80
Other telephone sets & Videophone	683.43	2208.64	1086.92	227.39	99.39	125.39
Fascimile machine (Fax)	4476.00	4154.54	2318.56	28.06	0.23	19.01
Teleprinters	1.50	118.21	25.95	7.52	35.22	16.29
Stroager Exchange	381.07	3349.26	2910.79	19.76	78.87	123.36
Cross bar Exchange	1.78	-	7.85	-	1.47	-
Electronic Switching incl.SPC Type	2753.77	676.64	1425.21	329.62	434.37	4.99
EPABX/EPAX/Intercom	1196.44	1706.16	180.54	174.14	238.96	70.99

Data Communication equipment including interface /multiplexers	2830.47	3660.11	491.71	260.72	547.38	70.14
Others	4311.04	7132.53	3624.56	582.37	960.32	481.74
PLCC equipment	229.07	431.33	10873.27	244.70	84.58	37.79
Voice frequency Telegraphy	6.89	144.02	77.43	0.52	3.87	0.33
Modems (modulators-demodulators)	3792.73	5601.62	3546.44	42.67	158.13	239.98
Others	5737.34	3074.25	6072.10	275.88	160.96	406.20
Other Apparatus	2822.94	2320.77	2951.49	603.43	331.38	98.34
Parts of Telephonic/ Telegraphic apparatus	14883.04	33782.61	18315.33	1532.44	2156.94	1817.50
TOTAL	46730.00	71248.42	56158.37	5548.95	5969.65	3861.05

Source : DGCI&S, Calcutta